



Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Update

November 2019

Updates from the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Board and Committee meetings of November 2019

Note from Chair Rainbow: November marks the beginning of a New Year for the SLRD and the first task at the recent Board meeting was to elect a Chair and Vice-Chair for the next year. Unlike municipalities where a mayor is elected for a four-year period, regional districts are required to elect a chair annually. I am privileged to be serving as Chair of the SLRD for a second year and our Vice-Chair remains unchanged also: Jen Ford, a Whistler councillor, will serve as Vice-Chair for a second year.

In addition to attending Board meetings, Directors have other responsibilities to fulfill. The SLRD has a number of standing committees and there are also outside boards and commissions on which the SLRD is represented. A full list is available on our web site (www.slrd.bc.ca/about-us/regional-district-board/boards-committees).

There are many exciting projects and developments on our agenda for 2020 and I look forward to a satisfying and productive year.

This time of year is a time for reflection and renewal. On behalf of the SLRD Board, I wish peace and happiness to all.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

SLRD Office Holiday Hours

Date	Hours of Operation
Monday, December 23, 2019 through Friday, December 27, 2019 and Wednesday, January 1, 2020	CLOSED
Regular hours of operations resume Monday, December 30, 2019 (excluding January 1, 2020)	

Appointment of Board Chair and Vice-Chair

Director Tony Rainbow was elected as Chair of the 2020 Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Board and Director Jen Ford was acclaimed as Vice-Chair.

Appointment of Chief Election Officer for 2020 Electoral Area A By-Election

The SLRD appointed Kristen Clark as Chief Election Officer and Phillipa Campbell as Deputy Chief Election Officer for conducting the by-election for the Electoral Area A Director, which will take place on February 15, 2020.

2020 Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Board Meeting Calendar

The Board has approved the 2020 Meeting Schedule of the regular Board and Committee of

the Whole meetings. Check out the meeting calendar on the SLRD website at www.slrd.bc.ca.

External Organizations & Other Appointments

Members of the SLRD Board participate in committees to which they are appointed by the SLRD. The list of committees and appointments is available at: www.slrd.bc.ca/about-us/regional-district-board/boards-committees.

BYLAWS

The following bylaws were adopted:

- Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Pemberton and District Arts, Culture and Recreation Service Establishing Bylaw No. 1643-2019 and Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Pemberton and District Economic Development Service Establishing Bylaw No.

1644-2019 to provide financial support for arts, culture and recreation (Bylaw 1643) and economic development (Bylaw 1644) for the Village of Pemberton and all of Electoral Area “C” excluding the WedgeWoods neighbourhood.

- Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Campground Bylaw No. 1568-2018 and Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Development Approval Information, Fees and Notification Procedures Bylaw No. 1301-2014, Amendment Bylaw No. 1584-2018, to regulate campgrounds in Electoral Area D, were read a second and third time and adopted.

Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Electoral Area D Zoning Bylaw No. 1350-2016, Amendment Bylaw No. 1650-2019 to correct the commercial gross floor maximums in the CD2 zone, was read a third time and referred to the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure for approval.

Squamish-Lillooet Regional District Electoral Area D Search and Rescue Financial Contribution Service Establishing Bylaw No. 603-1996, Amendment Bylaw No. 1654-2019 to provide funding to search and rescue organizations in Electoral Area D was introduced and read a first, second and third time, and forwarded to the Inspector of Municipalities for approval.

SLRD All Hazards Emergency Response Plan

The SLRD Board received the SLRD All-Hazards Emergency Response Plan (AHP) which forms part of the SLRD’s Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan designed to assist in safeguarding the growing population of the SLRD and to meet legislative obligations. The AHP contributes to building prepared communities when major emergencies occur and the resilience of communities when the consequences of hazard events cannot be avoided.

SLRD Working Group Response to the Environmental Assessment Certificate #E15-02

Amendment Application - Woodfibre LNG Limited Project

The SLRD forwarded a response to the Environmental Assessment Office regarding the Woodfibre LNG Limited Environmental Assessment Certificate Amendment Application regarding a “floatel” to house Woodfibre LNG’s temporary workforce, noting a number of key concerns, including but not limited to: the assessment of social effects on housing and accommodation, the required workforce, the preparation of a Traffic Management Plan and impacts on emergency management plans.

TransLink - Transport 2050 Engagement – Invitation

A joint meeting will be convened with staff from the District of Lillooet, Village of Pemberton, Resort Municipality of Whistler, District of Squamish, Líl’wat Nation, Squamish Nation and the Squamish-Lillooet Regional District to prepare a joint submission regarding Translink’s update of its Regional Transportation Strategy for Metro Vancouver.

Seton Valley Fire Services Future Direction

The SLRD staff will explore with Tsal’alh First Nation the parameters of an amalgamation of the Seton Valley Volunteer Fire Department with the Tsal’alh Seton Lake Volunteer Fire Department and/or a long-term service of agreement for third party delivery of fire protection services in the Seton Portage/Shalalth Fire Protection Service Area by the Tsal’alh Seton Lake Volunteer Fire Department.

Camelsfoot Radio and Television Service

The SLRD is investigating the removal of Pavilion Lake residents from the service area established pursuant to Lillooet Camelsfoot Television and Radio Rebroadcasting Contribution Service Conversion and Establishment Bylaw No. 1214-2011, as they have advised that they do not receive full re-broadcast services.

LETTER OF SUPPORT / ENDORSEMENT

- To the Ts'kw'aylaxw First Nation with respect to the Ts'kw'aylaxw Keatley Creek Addition to Reserve project to protect the significant historical and cultural values the area possesses.
- The Lillooet Agriculture & Food Society (LAFS) application to the Maple Leaf Centre for Action on Food Security-Feed Opportunity Fund was endorsed by the SLRD for \$320,000 over three years for the development and design of a culturally-linked Community Connect Hub to strengthen local food security and the community's ability to adapt in the face of climate change and increased environmental instability. If the application is successful, the SLRD will enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with LAFS for the SLRD to receive and manage funds.
- To Destination BC to indicate support for the Cariboo Chilcotin Coast Regional Destination Development Strategy Plan (Plan) developed by the Cariboo Chilcotin Coast Tourism Association, in terms of economic development, as long as Destination BC ensures that infrastructure and management funding be provided alongside the implementation of the tourism Plan, and that a balanced approach be taken in the implementation of this Plan, including the requirement for local public input.

GRANTS IN AID**The following was granted from Area C Amenity Funds:**

- Up to \$3,000 to fund maintenance of the Anderson Lake Dock located at D'Arcy for 2020.

The following was granted from Southern BC Hydro Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Fund:

- Up to \$21,000 to the Squamish Off-Road Cycling Association (SORCA) towards the cost

of developing a Front Country Recreation Master Plan (Trails Portion).

The following were granted from the Pemberton and District Community Fund:

- \$3,750 to the Pemberton Cemetery Committee - Pemberton Legion #201 towards the costs of the Pemberton Cemetery Enhancement Project which includes the addition of a driveway / parking, installation of columbarium and a new fence.
- \$3,000 to the Whistler Adaptive Sports Program towards the cost of planning, training staff, mileage, etc. to implement the Pemberton Leisure Buddy Program to enable Pemberton and area residents to access adaptive sports programs.

The following were granted from Area B Select Funds:

- Up to \$2,000 for initial investigative and consultative fees to determine the feasibility of solar panels at the Lillooet REC Centre.
- \$1,000 to St'át'imc Government Services towards the St'át'imc Lifelong Learning Scholarship program.
- \$1,000 to the Bridge River Indian Band towards their 40th Annual St'át'imc New Year's Celebrations Powwow, supporting the activities related to preserving, protecting and promoting St'át'imc Culture and powwow traditions, scheduled for December 31, 2019 through to January 2, 2020.
- \$1,000 to the Royal Canadian Legion #66 Lillooet (RCL) for the RCL Annual Poppy Campaign with funds raised to go to Veterans' programs and to support projects of local community groups.